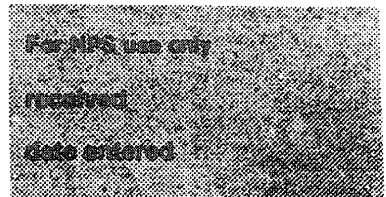


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Main Street

(12)

Lot 66 c. 1850 2-story, 2-register frame cottage, resided. 6/6 double hung windows. Simple fascia board. Asphalt gabled roof. Saltbox house form.

--contributing

(14-16)

Lot 65 c. 1920 2-story masonry and frame commercial building with parapet. Reconfigured first floor. Paired 6/1 double hung windows at second floor. Historic use as saloon, drug store, and dance hall, and automobile showroom.

--contributing

Lot 61,
62 and
63

c. 1790 2 1/2-story, 2-register Flemish bond brick building with belt course and modern 1/1 double hung windows. Greek Revival surround at door and one window. Evidence of reconfiguration of ground floor. Original use as tavern, hotel, stage coach stop. Adjacent c. 1870 2-story, 2-register building, frame with German wood siding; 2/2 double hung windows, thin entablature lintels at first floor, box cornice joined to brick building by porch with some original chamfered posts. Attached c. 1920 frame hipped cottage on CMU base, porch-fronted, large 1/1 double hung first floor window.

--All contributing

Lot 60 c. 1875 2-story, L-shaped frame house with mansard. German wood siding, side porch with Doric columns. Doors with round-arched and square panels, transoms. 2/2 double hung windows. Pointed lintels throughout. Bracketed cornice, part missing. Mansard shingled with wood to simulate slate. Segmentally-arched dormers.

--contributing

(110)

Lot 59 c. 1870 2-story, 2-register hipped cottage, constructed of frame, sheathed with asbestos shingles. Porch at entrance with turned posts, sawtooth shingles. Transomed entrance. First floor polygonal bay. 2/2 double hung windows throughout. Bracketed cornice.

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(112)

Lot 58 c. 1860 2-story, 3-register frame house, resided. Enclosed front porch. 2/2 double hung windows at second floor. Box cornice. Asphalt gabled roof.

--contributing

(114 - 116)

Lot 56
and 57

c. 1830 3-story, 5-register double house. Constructed of frame, resided. Enclosed front porch. First floor windows 1/1 and 2/2 double hung; second floor 6/6 and 6/2 double hung; third floor 3/6 double hung. Middle window paired. Simple fascia board, interior end chimneys, asphalt gabled roof.

--contributing

(120)

Lot 55 Built 1856. 2-story, 3-register Italianate house, brick foundation. Frame, resided with asbestos shingles. Modern entrance and pent. Paired 4/4 double hung windows at first floor, single 6/6 double hung at second floor. Bracketed cornice. Flat roof. Parsonage to Presbyterian Church.

--contributing

Lot 55 Presbyterian Church, listed in the National Register. Built 1845. "Founded 1698, Rebuilt 1899." Greek Revival brick church, paneled double doors. Brick pilasters and fields. Temple front: cornice partially sheathed with aluminum. Pilastered and dentilled belfry.

--significant

(204)

Lot 54 c. 1920 2 1/2-story jerkin-head cottage, frame resided with aluminum. Enclosed front porch. 1/1 double hung windows. Side polygonal bay. Bracketed cornice.

--contributing

(206)

Lot 53 Mid-19th century dwelling significantly remodeled.

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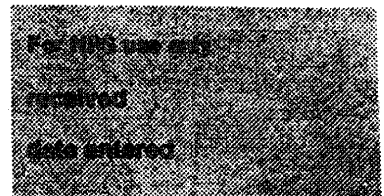
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Lot 52 c. 1840 2 1/2-story, 4-register frame house resided with vinyl. Modern porch, molded door surround. 6/6 double hung windows. Windows and cornice panned with aluminum.

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Lot 51 Vacant

(219)

Lot 33 Early 20th century one-story frame dwelling, clapboarded.
Garage, privy.

--contributing

(217)

Lot 34 c. 1860 2-story Italianate house, constructed of frame,
resided. 2/2 and 6/6 double hung windows.

--contributing

(215)

Lot 35 c. 1850 2 1/2 story, 5-register T-shaped central hall house.
Constructed of frame, resided with asbestos shingles. Sash,
porch, and gable altered circa 1920. Wooden box cornice with
partial returns. Metal paneled roof. Square, hip-roofed
outbuilding at rear.

--contributing

(213)

Lot 30 c. 1780 2 1/2 story, 3-register brick house, brick arches at
basement, brick molded watertable, brick belt course.
Italianate 4/4 double hung sash at first floor; 2/2 double hung
sash as second floor. Standing seam metal roof. Two-story
rear wing. Possibly a stage coach stop.

--contributing

(209 - 211)

Lot 36 c. 1875 2 1/2 story, 5-register Downingesque house with central
cross gable. Constructed of frame, resided with aluminum.
Porch-fronted with turned posts and jigsaw brackets. 6/6 and
2/2 double hung windows. Central entrance with sidelight and
transom. Second entrance added for use as double house.
Windows and cornice panned with aluminum.

--contributing

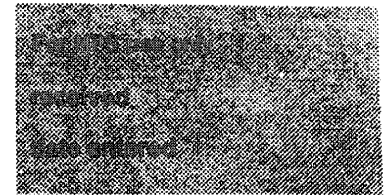
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Lot 37 c. 1860 2-story, 2-register frame dwelling. Constructed of
frame, resided with asbestos shingles. Later porch with turned
posts. 2/2 double hung windows. 2-story rear wing.

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(203 - 205)

- Lot 38 c. 1840 2 1/2 story, 5-register Greek Revival double house. Brick foundation. Constructed of frame, resided. Porch-fronted with dentilled cornice. Entrances with paneled doors, sidelights, and transoms. 6/6 double hung windows. Dentilled cornice. Victorian bargeboard on gabled end.
--contributing

(201)

- Lot 40 c. 1960 tract house.
--intrusion

- Lot 41 c. 1855 2 1/2 story, 3-register Carpenter Gothic house constructed of frame and clad with German wood siding. Porch-fronted with Doric columns. Handsome Greek Revival entrance with paneled double doors, sidelights, transom, and bracketed entablature. First floor tall 4/4 double hung windows, second floor 4/4 double hung, all with entablature lintels. Paired gothic windows with tracery sash in gable. Paneled shutters at 1st floor; louvered shutters above. Decorative bargeboard, steep central cross-gable.
--significant

(115)

- Lot 42 c. 1830 2 1/2 story, 3-register Greek Revival house. Victorian porch with turned posts, balustrade and jigsaw brackets. Side hall entrance. 2/2 double hung sash, 6/2 at 2nd floor. Pedimented dormer with fluted pilaster. 6/6 double hung sash. Sided with aluminum.
--contributing

(113)

- Lot 43 c. 1840 2 1/2-story, 2-register house, frame construction, resided with asbestos shingles. Front porch with chamfered posts. Greek Revival horizontal panel door, modern 1/1 double hung windows. Simple wood fascia. Large interior end chimney.
--contributing

(111)

- Lot 44 c. 1860 2 1/2 story, 5-register Downingesque house constructed of frame, reclad with aluminum. Enclosed front porch. Windows and cornice panned with aluminum. Paneled metal roof.
--contributing

- Lot 45 c. 1960 Tract house.
--intrusion

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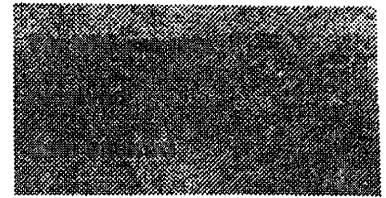
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Lot 49 Built 1926 by Sutton Family. First floor commercial front, altered windows. Second floor single and tripartite sash, 16/1 double hung. Jerkin-head roof with ornamental brackets; rectangular attic window, sash missing. Porch with chamfered posts and corrugated metal roof. Originally built for drugstore and barbershop and upper floors for residential use.
--contributing

Lot 50 Built 1875. 2-story Italianate brick building with mansard roof. First floor corner entrance with Greek Revival engaged pilasters and Doric entablature, entrance door recessed, outer doors missing, 2-light transoms above. First floor sash Italianate 4/4 double hung, south facade with double leaf paneled doors with 2-light transom above; west facade arched entrance door, paneled reveals, single-light semi-circular transom, modern six-panel door. Second floor tall segmental headed windows 4/4 Italianate double hung sash. Bracketed wood cornice with terminating ornamental consols. Mansard cut slate roof. Semi-circular headed dormers. Commemorative building plaque, 2nd floor west wall. "National Lodge No. 32 I.O.O.F."
--significant

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Church Street

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Lot 39 c. 1925 1 1/2 story gabled cottage. Vinyl siding. Bungalow style 3/1 double hung windows.

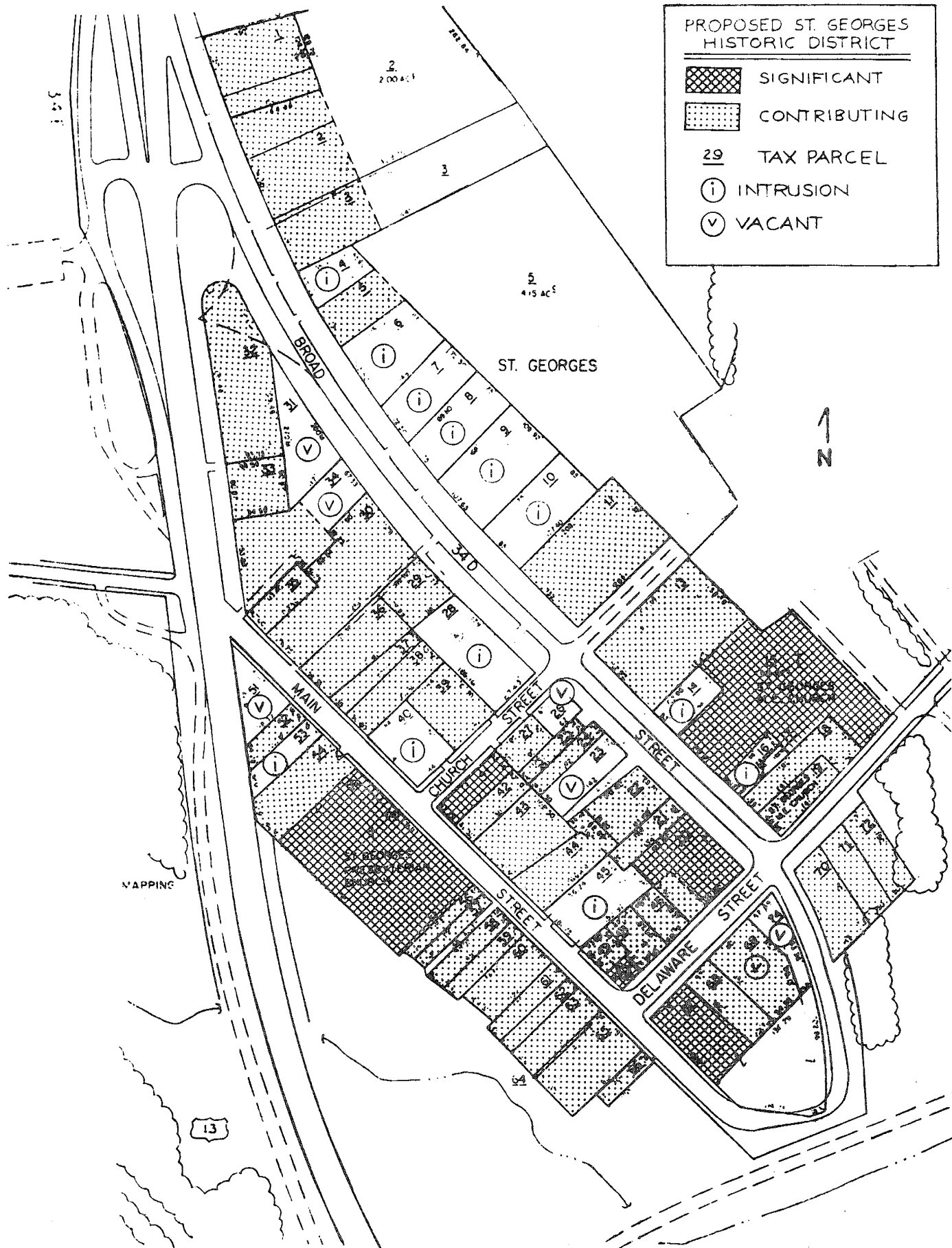
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Lot 27 c. 1920 2 1/2 story, 4-register double house. Constructed of frame, shingled. Porch-fronted, square columns. Paneled doors with entablature lintels. Paired 6/6 double hung windows at first floor; 6/6 double hung windows at second floor with 4-light storms. Interior end chimneys, simple overhang.

--contributing

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8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below				
prehistoric	archeology-prehistoric	community planning	landscape architecture	religion	
1400-1499	archeology-historic	conservation	law	science	
1500-1599	agriculture	economics	literature	sculpture	
1600-1699	X architecture	education	military	social/	
1700-1799	art	engineering	music	humanitarian	
X 1800-1899	X commerce	exploration settlement	philosophy	theater	
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Specific dates various **Builder Architect** various, but unknown

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

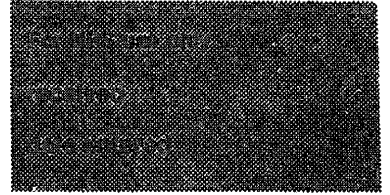
The St. Georges Historic District is significant as the well-preserved remnants of a 19th-century canal town that flourished and declined in response to its waterway. Opened in 1829, the canal transformed St. Georges into a major shipping point for Delaware's agricultural products and a thriving community with a full complement of residential, commercial, and institutional buildings. However, the subsequent widening of that canal, primarily to the south, caused the destruction of much of the historic town, leaving north St. Georges as an important reminder of the town's local history. Because of this association, the St. Georges Historic District appears to be eligible for the National Register under Criterion A.

The original settlement of Quinquiniam or St. Georges was laid out in 1730 along both the north and south sides of the St. Georges Creek. Even before that time, a mill and mill dam were built at what was to become the center of St. Georges. Houses soon were erected to shelter the millworkers, and the blacksmiths, shopkeepers, and carpenters that followed. And, by the mid-18th century, St. Georges' Presbyterian Congregation had organized. Having the King's Road pass through the village, St. Georges became a place for stage coach stops, one being at the intersection of North Main and Delaware Streets. The village increased in size and on February 7, 1825, was incorporated as a town.

A milestone in St. Georges' history was reached in 1829 when the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal was opened. The canal had a 22-foot-wide lock at St. Georges that formed the north-south passage for what was the original Route 13. The advent of the canal enabled grain and food to be easily shipped to Wilmington, Philadelphia, and New York. In addition, it brought barges loaded with logs to the sawmills and those with fruit and tomatoes to the cannery. This canal traffic also brought passengers who came into St. Georges for food and other purchases, thereby further augmenting the town's development.

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The majority of the buildings in the proposed historic district reflects the mid-nineteenth century era of prosperity in St. Georges. In 1845 the Presbyterians built their brick Greek Revival-style church on Main Street and in 1856 erected the adjacent Italianate parsonage. The Methodists erected their stuccoed brick church, originally scored to look like masonry, on Broad Street in 1852 and a parsonage at the corner of Broad and Delaware in 1880. A store, trading as Gam's by the turn of the century and as Crompton's by 1914, has been located at Delaware and Main Streets since at least the 1860s when it was operated by James Garman. Diagonally across from the store, a brick hotel of 18th century origins remained in use into the 1880s, a decade during which St. Georges' population reached 500. Several of these residents were charter members of the National Lodge No. 32, I.O.O.F., which in 1875 erected the three-story mansarded brick hall, also at the intersection of Delaware and Main Streets. That building was divided into three store rooms at the first floor (drug store and post office), a public hall at the second floor, and a lodge room at the third floor.

Located adjacent to the Dupont Highway, St. Georges continued to grow during the twentieth century automobile era. At the entrance to the district stands a cast stone garage and at 14 - 16 Main Street is a building called "Hog Island" which housed Stapleford's Chevrolet dealership. The district also contains several 1920s dwellings including a Four Square American Colonial house, gabled cottages, and bungalows. The McDonough School near Kirkwood Avenue was built for white children and a new one-room brick schoolhouse was erected for black children at Broad and Church Streets in the mid-1920s.

During the mid-twentieth century, three major improvements to the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal widened the distance between north and south St. Georges to 90 feet in the 1920s, 250 feet in the 1930s, and 450 feet in the 1950s. Moreover, the demolition of their connecting drawbridge on January 10, 1939 -- the consequence of being struck by a ship -- and the construction of the current modern bridge approximately 600 feet to the west, further divided north and south St. Georges and form a logical terminus for the period of significance. Of the two, north St. Georges has retained its core of historic residences, commercial buildings, and churches and therefore appears eligible for the National Register of Historic Places.

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9. Major Bibliographical References

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property approx. 23.1

Quadrangle name St. Georges

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Verbal boundary description and justification

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List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

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12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

☐ national ☐ state ☒ local

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

title date

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I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register

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Keeper of the National Register

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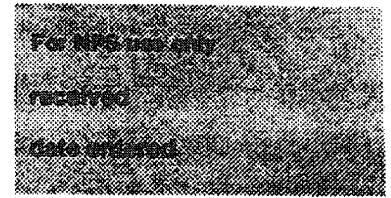
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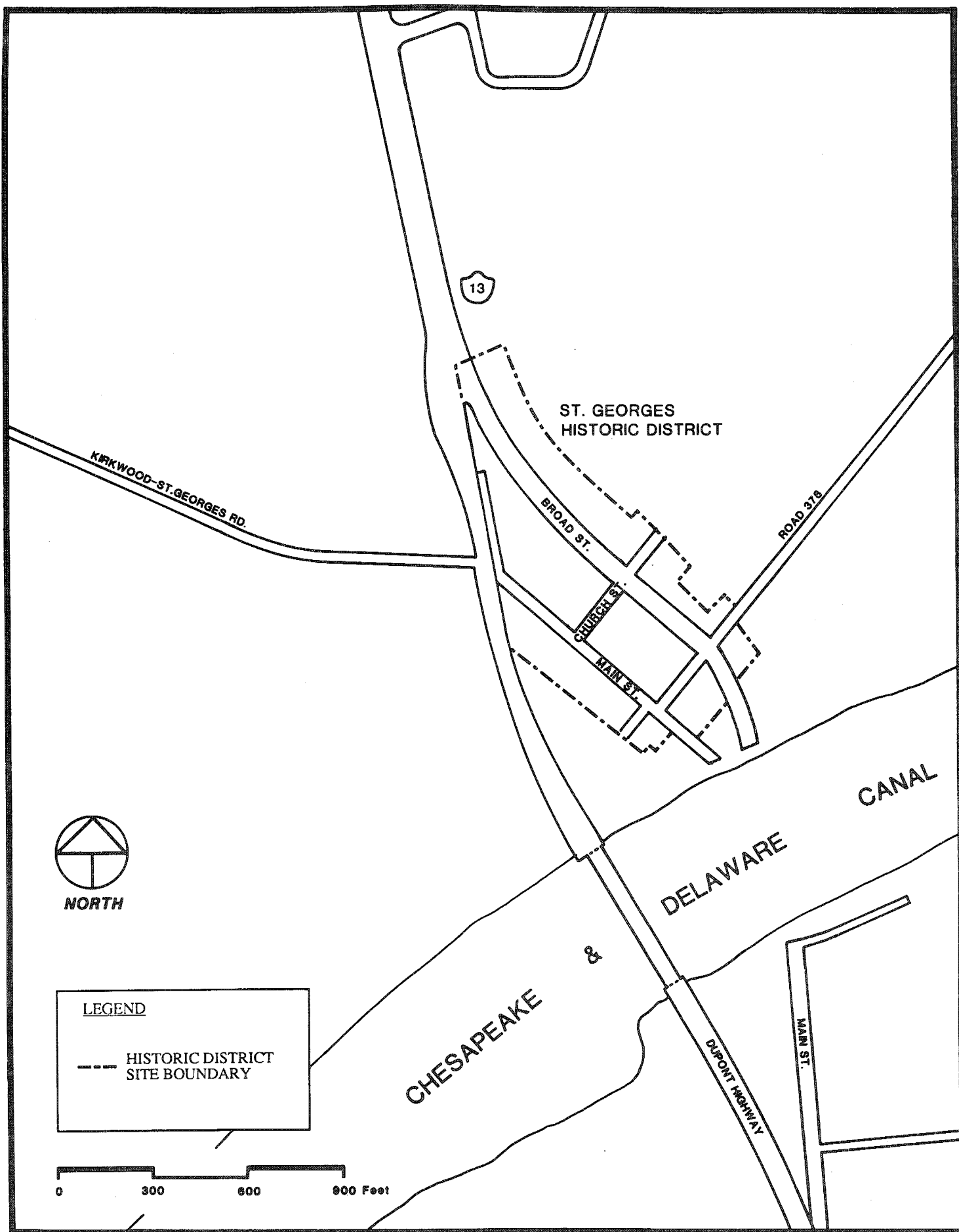
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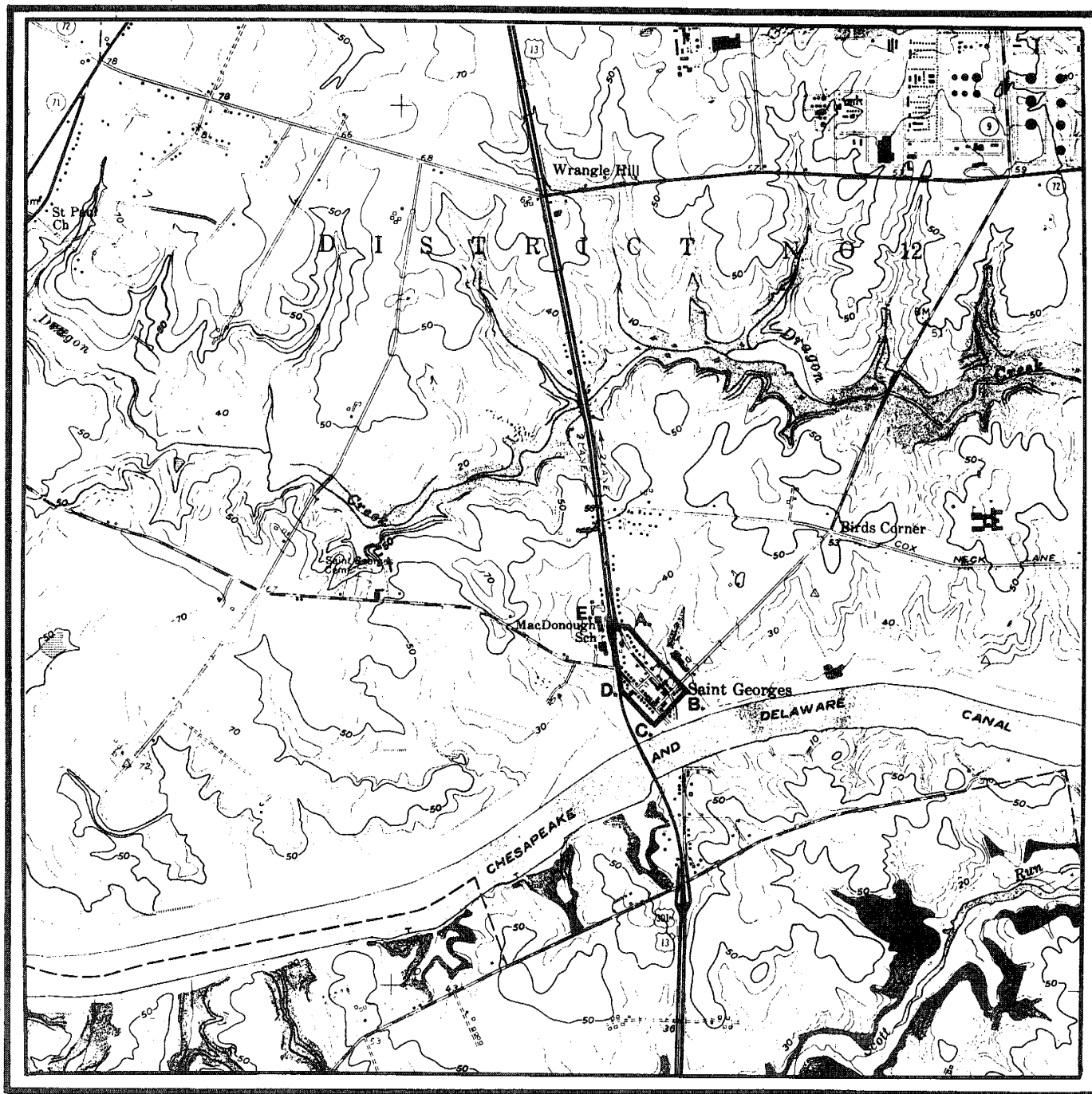
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Verbal boundary description and justification

Beginning at point A located 130 feet 70° northeast of the center line of Dupont Highway; thence, extending southeast along the rear property lines of those properties fronting the northeast side of N. Broad Street and across Delaware Street to the rear property line of Lot 72, being point B; thence, extending in a southwesterly direction along the rear property lines of those properties fronting the southeast side of Delaware Street to point C; thence, extending in a northwesterly direction along the rear property lines of those properties fronting the southwest side of N. Main Street to a point along Dupont Highway being point D; thence, at 140° northwest extending 1,225 feet along Dupont Highway to point E; and thence, at 70° northeast extending 130 feet to the point of beginning.

The proposed historic district boundary contains the surviving cluster of 19th and early 20th century buildings in North St. Georges. This district is defined by the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal to the south, Dupont Highway and the St. Georges Bridge to the west, and open land to the east.





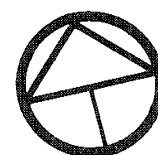
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Fig. 2-6. St. Georges Historic District, St. Georges Presbyterian Church (lot 55), N. Main St.



Fig. 2-7. St. Georges Historic District, Streetscape view, west side of N. Main Street.



Fig. 2-8. St. Georges Historic District, Victorian house (lot 41), SEC N. Main and Church Streets.



Fig. 2-9. St. Georges Historic District, Double house (lots 24 & 25), N. Broad Street.



Fig. 2-10. St. Georges Historic District, St. Georges M.E. Church (lot 15), 109 N. Broad Street..

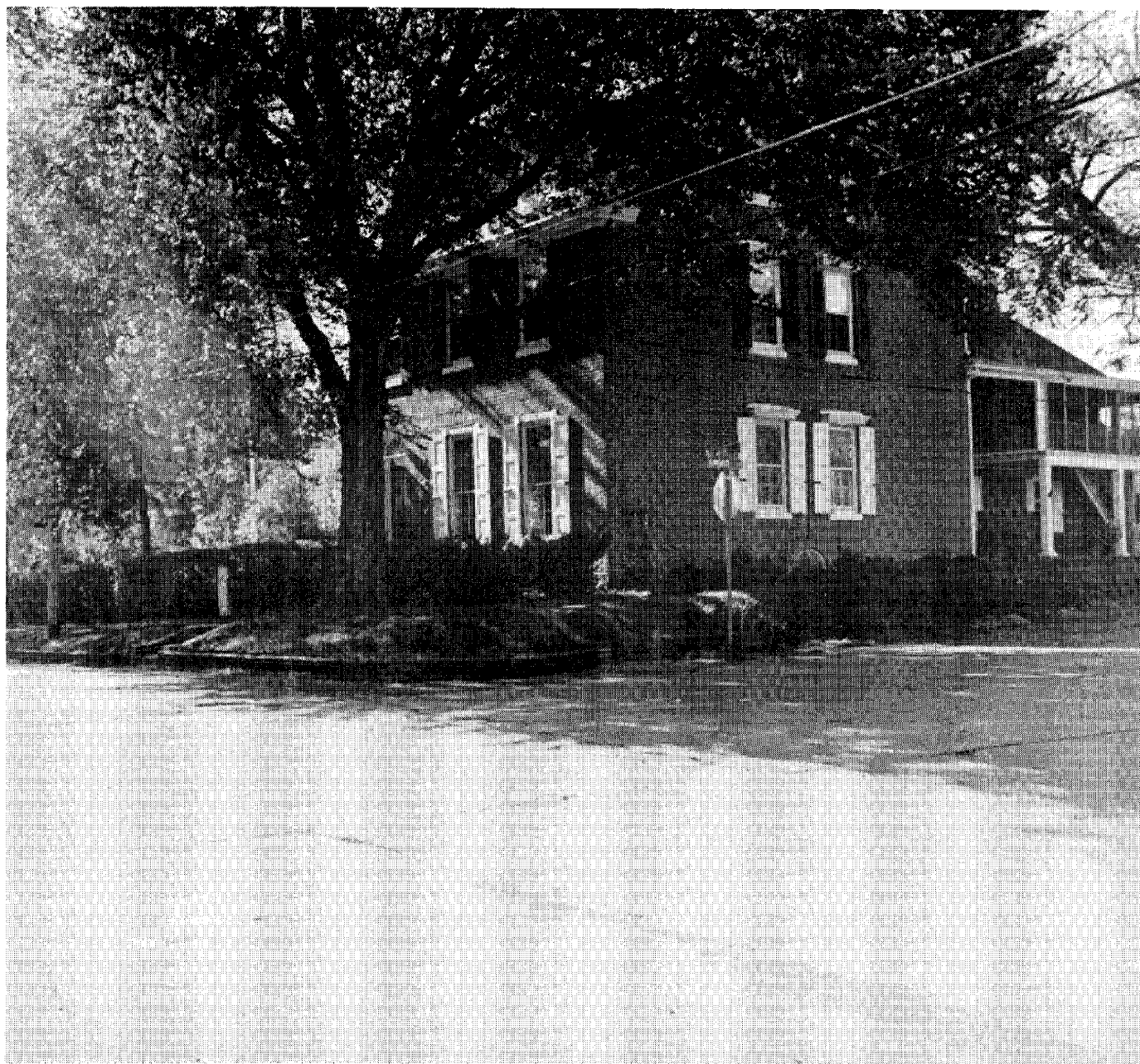


Fig. 2-11. St. Georges Historic District, Sutton House (lot 26), NWC Delaware and Broad Streets.

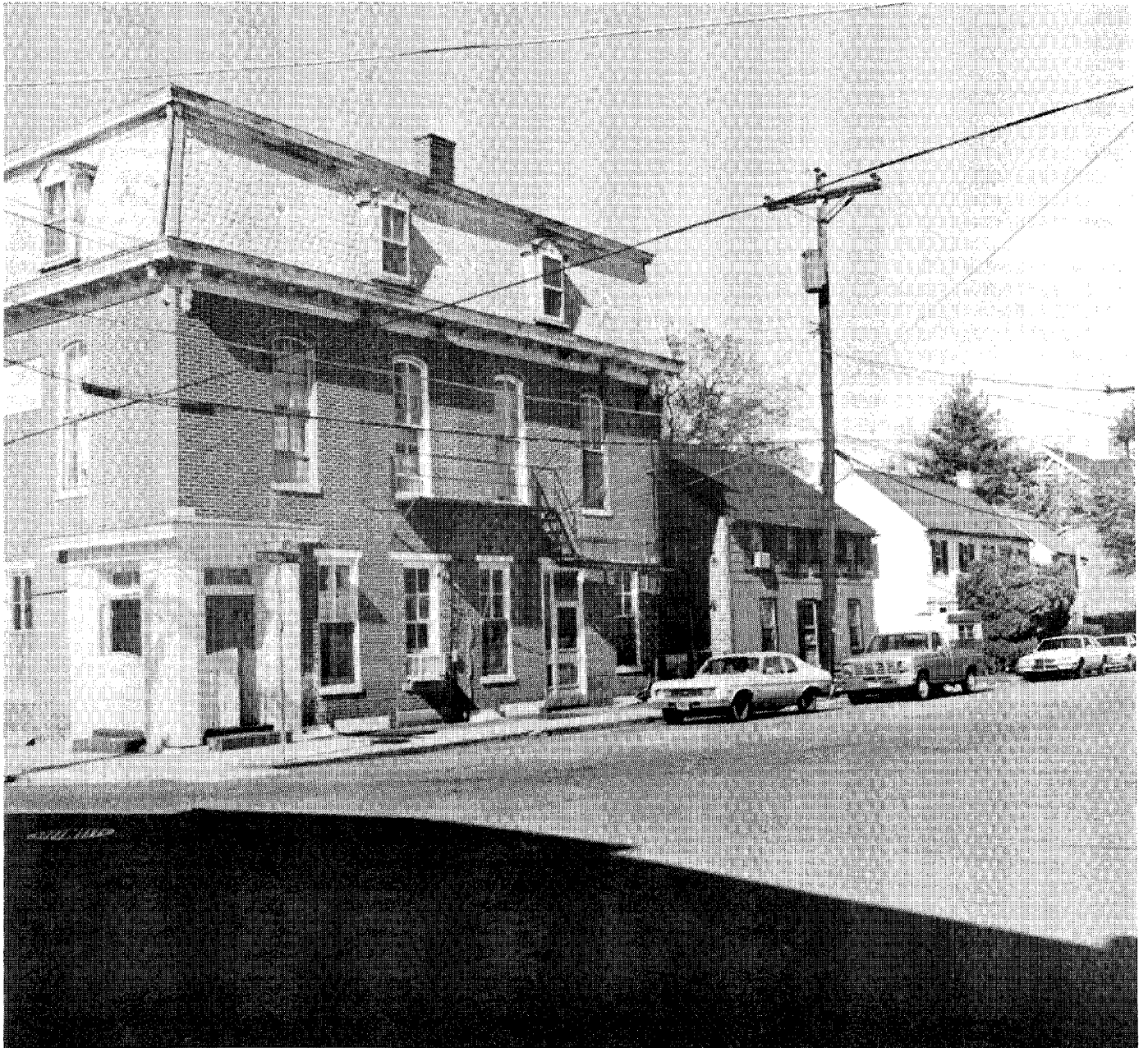


Fig. 2-12. St. Georges Historic District, Streetscape view, north side of Delaware Street.